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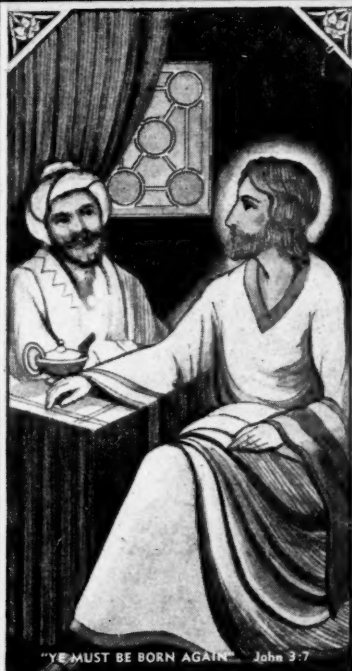


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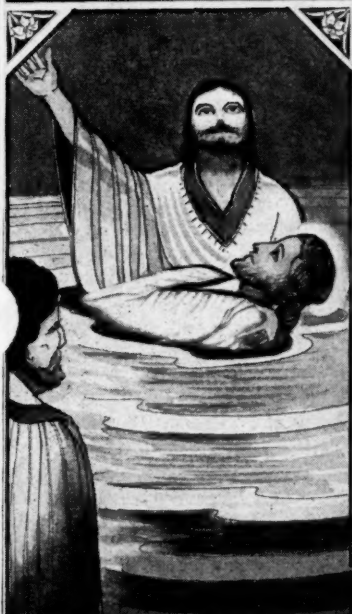
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"YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN" John 3:7



"HE THAT BELIEVETH AND IS BAPTIZED SHALL BE SAVED" Mark 16:16

IF WE KNEW THE FELLOW

If we really knew the fellow
That we talk about so much,
Then the hardest heart would mellow
With a little kinder touch;
We would speak about his error,
Should a fellow chance to fall,
We would talk a little fairer
Or we wouldn't talk at all.

But we add a lot of rumor
To a little bit of fact,
And the ultimate consumer
Adds whatever we have lacked;
Yes, we add a little to it,
For we nearly always can,
But I doubt if we would do it
If we really knew the man.

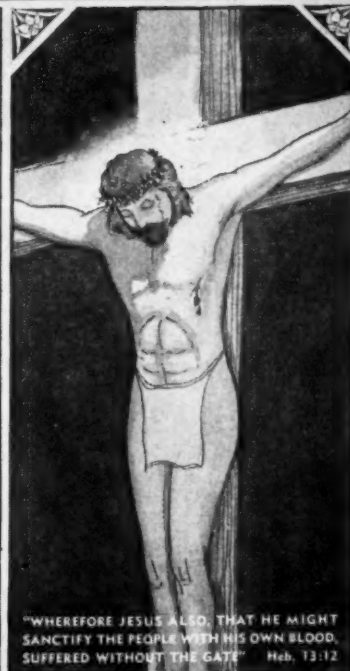
If we really knew another
As ourselves we really know,
When man criticized a brother
We would say it was not so,
For a lie a mile a minute
Often traveled, often grew,
But there may be nothing in it
If the man we really knew.

When the jealous bring a story,
When the little rumor starts,
That may dim another's story
Or may break another's heart;
Then we carelessly receive them,
Never question, never scan,
But we never would believe them
If we really knew the man.—Sel.

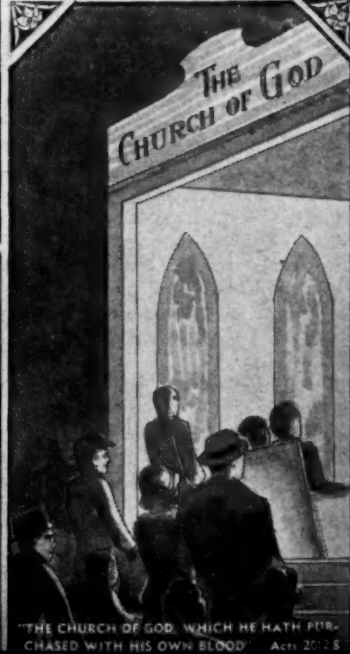
Sent in by Brother and Sister Drake and boys.



"AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST, AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES" Acts 2:4



"WHEREFORE JESUS ALSO, THAT HE MIGHT SANCTIFY THE PEOPLE WITH HIS OWN BLOOD, SUFFERED WITHOUT THE GATE" Heb. 13:12



"THE CHURCH OF GOD, WHICH HE HATH PURCHASED WITH HIS OWN BLOOD" Acts 20:28

**LADIES' WILLING WORKER BAND**

I wish to sound a note of praise for the noble work that is being done by our L. W. W. B. throughout the nation. I wish I could give you reports from all of our Willing Worker Bands but I must tell you of this one just now.

I have a letter before me in which one, Sister R. E. Blackwood, of Nashville, Tennessee, has since the General Assembly, through the co-operation of the faithful willing workers of the church there, raised money in their willing worker kitchen which they have applied on a new parsonage and furnishings and also helped in stuccoing the church.

I understand that some make pies, candy, etc., while the others sell. I have a special invitation to call by to see them any Tuesday.

May God bless our willing workers everywhere.

J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

We are now in a meeting at Coal City, W. Va. It seems we are going to have a great meeting. We are praying for God to give us a thousand souls this year and I feel like He is going to answer prayer. Those of you wishing to write us, our address at present is Coal City, W. Va.—Evangelist John D. Raynor and wife.

I am evangelizing in the state of Pennsylvania this year. I have a wife and small daughter. I have held a successful revival in Carlisle, Pa. and am now open for calls anywhere in the state, especially on the Harrisburg district. For reference I give: T. S. Payne, state overseer; Brothers Dominic DeFino, district overseer; A. R. Martin, Austin Thompson and Sister Margaret Helman.—G. Howard Sutton, 143 Cedar St., Carlisle, Pa.

This is to notify you that Daily Cagle is now clerk of the Church of God at Marked Tree, Ark.—Daily Cagle.

Revival services began here Jan. 22, conducted by Harry Chase and wife. We are having fair crowds, good attention and God is working. Pray for Neodesha, Kans.—Andy Newport, pastor, Neodesha, Kans.

We are in a revival here at Drumright, Okla. with Sister Pitts of Maud doing the preaching. Pray hard for us that we will go over the top for God and His Church in everything.—Annie A. Wright, clerk, Drumright, Okla.

If anyone knows the address of Don V.

SPECIAL! - - - SPECIAL!**REMEMBER**

February 12

That is our day set to make the drive for our Bible School.

We appreciate so very much what has been done already, and a goodly number of the ministers have responded. But, come on everybody, everywhere, let's do our best! This is a most wonderful work, worthy of our financial support, not only worthy but also deserving. Our loyalty to Christ demands that we support our Bible School. The Lord Jesus Christ while here was an ardent believer and supporter of Bible instruction. He worked long, late, incessantly, because He felt His most earnest whole-hearted service, both day and night, was constantly necessary—finally He gave all. He sacrificed His life for the promotion of the Bible cause. Do we not keenly feel that we are obligated to carry on this great work? What an opportunity our disciples had to go to school three and one half years to the greatest teacher of earth—yet the greatest school, they had their difficult problems. It seemed they just could not understand all Jesus meant. Neither can we without study. While we don't hope to learn everything in this life, we are exhorted to study to obtain the approval of God so that we can be a means of greater blessing in the salvation of the lost and the continuance of the great work for which Christ sacrificed all.

Give some in the offering Sunday, a day's work, or join the ministers by putting the amount of a week's wages.

Ministers, don't forget to give your people a chance to help. It is not only your opportunity to keep this before your people, but your duty. Come on, let's be loyal one hundred per cent for the Church of God. Just our claiming to be one hundred per cent is not proof. It takes work. Yes, sacrifice! But remember the fire of God's approval falls on the sacrifice.

We are eagerly awaiting your offering Sunday, February 12, 1939.

Thank you and God bless you.

J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

SPECIAL!

All evangelist license not renewed for 1939 were null and void December 31, 1938.

If you have not renewed, write your state overseer immediately giving explanation so he may help you, if possible, to secure your license. If you have misplaced your old certificate, please mention same in your letter asking for renewal.

—Yours for your greatest ministerial year, J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

Staten, please inform us as we have some important mail for him.—General Secretary.

There will be a home coming at Bradley Church of God, Bradley, Miss., Feb. 19. We invite each of our pastors on the district to come and bring his church, also well-filled baskets. We will have dinner spread. Welcome everybody.—C. H. Gardner, district pastor, Eupora, Miss.

We are in the best revival that we have ever had at Slaton, Tex. God is really blessing Sister Edna Rannels. The altar is full and many are seeking the Holy Ghost. Sister Rannels is one of our members here and we hope this revival will encourage her to go on into the work, for the Lord knows that we need two hundred evangelists in Texas. We hope you who read this will pray for the Lord to continue to bless this church.—Roy J. Young, pastor, Slaton, Tex.

I have been in the evangelistic work almost four years. Anyone wishing my help in a meeting, please write me. I work for lost souls and the upbuilding of the church. I am open for service now. Please pray for me. I am a member of the Church of God at Camden, S. C.—Mrs. Pearl Fagan, Rt. 1, Box 8, Camden, S. C.

CORRECTION

The box of oranges and box of tangerines listed in the Jan. 14 issue of the Evangel under Miscellaneous Orphanage Report should be credited to the Avon Park Sunday School instead of S. J. Whitener. Also the goods credited to Sister Iva Phillips should have been credited to the Y.P.E. at Avon Park, Fla.—S. J. Whitener, Avon Park, Fla.

To the preachers and churches in New Mexico: We will have our state preachers' meeting at Hobbs, N. Mex., Feb. 22-24 and we will be expecting one and all to be present. The very best part of our assembly year is yet before us and we want to make the very best use of it that we possibly can. The program that we have for your consideration and adoption, will, if properly adhered to and carried out, result in the greatest year we have had yet in New Mexico. Our state Sunday School and Y.P.E. president is already going over good, also we are ready for action relative to our state parsonage proposition. We have a good proposition to offer a good state evangelist—two tents, house trailer, twenty-five new seats, two good altars and Bible stand, with several openings ready as soon as weather permits.

Pastors, if you are behind with your mission quota, please see that it is all brought up to date for this convention.—

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A Spiritual Romance from Earth to Glory

BY SISTER CLARA MULLIKIN

"My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land; the fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away," Song of Solomon 2:10-13.

This is neither a fairy tale nor old wives' fables, but a spiritual love affair.

Thank God, we can all have a part in this wonderful story of love. God is love and without love we can have no part in Him. Listen to the Word, "My beloved spake, and said unto me." Oh, praise God for ears that can hear His voice. "My sheep hear my voice, and they follow me." I have a Lover. I have never seen Him, yet I love Him. I have heard His voice, felt His presence, sometimes He has been so near I felt like reaching out and taking hold of Him. "Not now," comes a voice, "I am away preparing a place for you. I love you, dear one, have laid down my life for you. You were dead in sin and iniquity. You needed purifying. You needed a blood transfusion. I gave my blood for you that you might be purified and live a pure and holy life. Now abide in my Word. That is your chart from earth to heaven. I am now getting ready to come after you, that you may 'see me as I am.'"

Listen, Church of the living God, we have a spiritual Lover. He has gone to prepare a home for me, for you, for all who obey Him. He has sent me a Holy Comforter to comfort me while He is away, and this Comforter takes the Word of God (my Lover's love letter)

and explains its truths to my aching heart, as I watch and wait. He has drawn me close to His bleeding side and spoken such comforting words to my heart that I've learned to love my unseen Lover with all my heart, soul, mind and strength, and I'm sure He means all He has said. "They that worship me must worship me in spirit and in truth." So, He is my spiritual Lover, won me (though I have not seen Him) by His love, keeps me by His power, sustains me by His grace, keeps me looking up and I'm purifying myself even as He is pure.

Faith is the victory that overcomes. Glory be to our coming King! What could we do without this Heavenly Guide? When Satan's darts assail us He stands between. He is our shield. When false brethren misrepresent us He has comforting words to help us overcome. His words are sweet to my soul. "The world hated me, and it will hate you," are His words. Oh, let us glory in tribulation and rejoice evermore. We have shouted for joy in His presence. We have leaped and danced, and now we are learning the highest grade lesson—suffering for His sake. They said hard things against Him, but without a cause. He was as a lamb before His shearers. He opened not His mouth. Oh, glory! I feel the fire of His divine love right now burning in my soul. Oh, I want to see Him, look upon His face. Are you ready to go out to meet Him? He is coming, and I believe it. All things are possible to him that believeth. Be ye also ready, not getting ready, that will be too late. Are you ready? In an hour that ye think not He will come. Let us love one another with pure hearts fervently (divine love). Yours in love and fellowship.

until His sweat fell as great drops of blood, "Father, not my will but thine be done." His disciples had failed to pray and had gone to sleep. Jesus came the third time; He found them sleeping. He said, "Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand," Matt. 26:45. Beloved, many have let their eyes become heavy and have gone to sleep failing to glorify the Son of God, unconcerned of what is taking place and the signs appearing of the return of our Lord, when He'll say to those asleep, "Sleep on now, and take thy rest, I've come for my bride." Let us not sleep as do others, but let us pray lest we enter into temptation and fall asleep. The Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak. If we glorify the Son of God we must watch and pray. The hour is come right on us when the Antichrist spirit is becoming more powerful. Jesus is coming to deliver those who are ready.

The Lord Is So Good To Us

Dear readers, I praise the Lord for His mercy and goodness to me and mine. The Lord saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire and put a "go ye" in my heart and a determination to ever press forward and trust Him with both soul and body.

When I was only saved God healed me of a cancer inside my body and has been healing me ever since. Just last Friday I had a terrible pain in my back and did not use any remedy but Jesus healed me. Praise His name.

Last spring two of my daughters had bad tonsils. The doctor said they had to be removed. We did not call the doctor but someone brought him anyway, so I told him that my God put those tonsils in and He could heal them or remove them as He liked. We wrote and asked Brother Rouse to pray with us and in just a few days, while we were praying, the power fell and the Lord really blessed, and praise God, they were both healed. The Lord has healed one bad case of black spider bite, two abscessed teeth and healed a little boy, nearly three years old, who had never walked. Oh praise God, he walks and plays just like other children.

This is a hard place around and in Stillmore but God will hear and answer His children's prayer anywhere. Anyone wanting prayer for healing or salvation, we will be only too glad to help you. Oh yes, the Lord healed one case of diphtheria after the doctor had given it up. Praise God our Father.

Pray for us that we will continue in the faith. The Lord is so good to us. Pray that He will heal me of indigestion and give us a closer walk with the Lord.

We are looking for some good evangelist to come and run a revival soon in Stillmore.—Mrs. Mattie Ranew, Stillmore, Ga., Rt. 1.

Glorifying the Son of God

BY MRS. WALTER RAMPY

We find a scripture in John 12:23 like this, "The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified." If there ever was a time in all ages that the Son of God should be glorified it is the day in which we live. When the name of God is being blasphemed, when the name of Jehovah is being wiped off the places of worship, people forbidden to speak His name in public, then the children of the God of Elijah should seek to glorify Him before this unbelieving, Christ-rejecting world more than ever before.

There are many ways to glorify the Son of God. One of the most convincing ways is by holy living. The Word says,

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven," Matt. 5:16. We can glorify Him by coming to service and being at our post of duty, by visiting the sick, trying to bind up the brokenhearted, by divine healing through the prayers of His children. God is wanting to be glorified before this world that they may know that He is not "the great I was" but the "Great I Am," the God who is on the throne ready to hear the cries of all who seek Him.

Just before the awful hour when Jesus must go to Golgotha's hill He prayed

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield, if nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help us make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

This paper reserves the right to condense reports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper allowance of space.

for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in like manner did they unto the prophets," Luke 6:22, 23.

My fellow Christians, if you are the world's good fellow, you had better find out why. True fellowship with Christ will separate people from the world. Those who are not godly and who are not going in the ways of Christ will hate you for your stand for truth and right. Those who know Christ, whom to know is life eternal, will not be loved by the world. Some seem to think that the crash and bang of jazz and the good will of the world is what they need to promote the cause of Christ, but these are only Satan's deceptive methods and you will find out after it is too late that all these things and desires come from Satan and from those who love darkness rather than light because their deeds are evil.

The light, chaffy way in which many worship God today gives no heart-satisfaction. They seem to think if they can have a great noise and a shout that all is well, but I tell you it takes a long pole to stir deep water and shallow water may be stirred easily and settle back quickly in the same condition. If we expect to enter into the straight gate we will have to have that abiding faith and the Spirit of God always with us. I believe in shouting as much as anybody in the world and when it comes freely from hearts that are clean and pure it will have an abiding effect.

DARE TO BE A DANIEL

Daniel was not moved by emotion nor mob violence nor the crowd that gathered about him but he made his decision that he would not partake of worldliness and would stand alone. God give us more Christians today like the Hebrew children, who will do what God wants them to do regardless of what it costs, Christians who will not identify themselves with the world and worldliness but will trust God and take their stand for truth and right.

The mob first called Paul a good fellow then pelted him with stones, but the wonderful love of God caused him to rise up and tell them about Jesus and His love. The mob also smashed the body of Stephen with stones but his spirit went home glorifying God. That same mob that spread their garments in the way and cried, "Hosanna to the King," as Jesus rode into Jerusalem, cried out, "Release Barabbas and crucify Jesus." Too many people today are swayed by the spirit that sweeps over them and are failing to get rooted and grounded in the faith and are not able to stand. Jesus said, "Ye are not of the world; I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you." Only when we shut our ears to the crowd about us can we live for the God above us. There is no religion so dangerous as half-way

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EDITORIALS

Visit To North Carolina

The Editor spent the week end of Jan. 21, 22 with Brother D. H. Delk, pastor, Candler, North Carolina. A large crowd from all over the district gathered for service on Saturday evening in spite of the bad weather. We had the pleasure of meeting quite a good many old friends with whom we worked years ago. As they sang the good songs of Zion God wonderfully blessed His people. The singers from West Asheville did the singing on Saturday evening. Sunday morning the church choir and friends from different places gave us a wonderful song service. God set His approval on the eleven o'clock service and every one seemed to be refreshed in the Lord. Shouts of praise went up from many hearts. In the afternoon, at 2:30, we had another wonderful service, and the evening service, at 7:00, was also wonderful. We haven't words to express our appreciation to Brother and Sister Delk, Brother and Sister Bradburn, and others, who made us feel so welcome in their homes. The Spirit of God came down in such a way that every one seemed to forget his trials and we had a victorious service of praise to our Lord.

My Trip To Alabama

The Editor also spent the week end of Jan. 28, 29 with Brother L. W. Ledbetter, pastor, Church of God out from Piedmont, Alabama. There were several visitors from Alabama City, Gadsden, Jacksonville, and Piedmont. We met many old friends whom we had met at different places years ago. It seemed that God came down in a special way and the meeting was everything that we could have hoped for it to be. The power fell and many hearts rejoiced. Many expressed themselves as receiving information from the Scriptures that greatly helped them. The Ford sisters of Jacksonville did most of the singing and

they certainly did put expression in their songs, which was enjoyed by all. It was raining Sunday morning and we thought the congregation would be small but the house was packed. At twelve o'clock dinner was spread and it was ample for every one present. To say that God blessed us would be putting it mild. We enjoyed these trips and will long remember them.

The Influence of the World

"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it," Matt. 7:13, 14.

Many are led today by the spirit of the world and jazz. The radio is playing a great part and hundreds of professors are swept off their feet by the worldly music and radio oratory. The funny paper is being read by many who profess to be filled with all the fullness of God. This is nothing more than the spirit of the world deceiving the people. People will try to justify their worldly ways when they know that they are wrong.

Many professing Christians today are trying to reconcile their spirits by seeking satisfaction and entertainment through things of the world and are not giving God their thoughts. There are also many who have deep-seated and unchanging motives. The spirit of the world is swaying people in many directions. In fact, the spirit of the world is changing people so rapidly until a man may be loved today and hated tomorrow. Some will cry hosanna on Sunday and go out on Monday and live for the world. But one thing, my fellow Christians, is true, if the world and the crowds hate you today, you can remember the words of Him who was nailed to the cross, "Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy:

The PERRY-SCOPE

Treasures—New and old From Far and Near

Conducted by SAM C. PERRY, 52 N. W. 35th St., Miami, Fla.

The Uttermost Savior

"Wherefore be is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them," Heb. 7:25.

Jesus is represented to us as the all-sufficient Savior. As the Savior of sinners He is lacking in no respect.

1. He saves from sin in its most insignificant appearances, that is, He saves from the sins that seem smallest and most harmless, not that there is any sin which is really innocent and harmless, but some sins seem less aggravating and hateful than others. As a matter of fact no sin is so modest, refined, popular or so little but that it needs to be destroyed—all sin belongs to the works of the devil which Jesus came to destroy.

2. Jesus saves men from all of the common and outbroken sins of everyday life. No sin can be too common or too deeply rooted in the heart but that Jesus can destroy it. None can sin so much, nor be so familiar with sin that Jesus cannot save him, unless he has sinned away his day of grace, or committed that sin which God said He would not forgive.

3. This Savior can, and does save the sinner completely from sin. All sin, any manner of sin, is included. He said to the healed man, "Go thy way and sin no more." And again it is said, "Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound," Rom. 5:20. And again, "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin," 1 John 1:7. The sinner has no excuse for continuing in sin. Neither the professed Christian. Jesus offers a complete and perfect remedy to all.

4. Jesus saves men from all classes and conditions of sinners, from every earthly race of humanity. He commands that His gospel be preached to "every creature." And every creature who hears and believes will be saved. What a wonderful Savior! What a wonderful salvation! A salvation which exactly and perfectly fits the need of every human being in the world!

5. This Savior saves to all eternity. When He forgives and blots out the sins that men have committed, it is not just for the present life, but for all the eternal future. They are not to be mentioned at the judgment or any other future day. "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us," Psa. 103:12. Over and again God has promised that sins forgiven and blotted out are remembered no more. Isa. 43:25; Jer. 31:34.

Jesus Christ is this perfect Savior who, through the gospel, is offered to every man to save him now and to all eternity.

Grace Sufficient

In times of weakness: The Lord may remove weakness or He may not, but His promise is, "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness," 2 Cor. 12:9.

In times of temptation: The temptation may be removed or it may not, but through it all God has promised that He will "make a way," "that ye may be able to bear it," 1 Cor. 10:13.

In times of burden: Sometimes the burden may be removed and sometimes it may remain, but God's promise is that "He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved," Psa. 55:22.

If called to pass through the waters and the fire: He gives the promise of His presence and protection from every destructive element, Isa. 43:2. "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass," Psa. 37:5.

Treasures Above

When Jesus commanded His disciples to lay up their treasures in heaven, Matt. 6:19, 20, it is certain that He did not expect them to actually send gold, silver or precious stones, as such, up to heaven. But there is a way that earth's values may be exchanged for the heavenly.

1. First, and most important of all, we can give up the world and all its sin, give ourselves to the Lord and be saved. Thus we become sons of God and citizens of heaven, so that when done with this world we have a home eternal in the heavens.

2. We can transfer our earthly possessions to the heavens above by consecrating them to the Lord now and by using them as far as possible to further His cause and the interests of His kingdom in this present life. What we give for the gospel and its furtherance and the poor and needy in this world, we will have there and with added interest, not in the gold, silver or paper currency of this world, but in the currency of heaven.

3. By living a devoted Christian life here, spending all of our time, and consecrating all of our talents to the Lord and the interests of His kingdom, we are earning a reward, which, as a precious treasure, will be awaiting us in heaven

in the time to come.

The Christian's life on earth is a life of sacrifice, self-denial and crossbearing and yet a life of peace and blessing. But His full reward is not received here. At the end of the way, when Jesus returns for His own, they will receive their full inheritance. All that we give or do or suffer for Jesus now will add to our heavenly treasures and the reward we shall receive in that day.

Healing, But Why?

Many desire healing. In almost every place lines of men and women present themselves for anointing and healing. For some reason they feel it would be better if they could be healed of one or more ailments.

We ask, "Why do you wish healing?" Is it for your own comfort or selfish gain, or is it that you may render a better and fuller service to God? How often we think, when sick, "How much better I'll serve God when I'm well, what sacrifices I'll make," and yet fail when well!

Only with a single eye and a godly motive can we pray aright. What searching words in James 4:3, "Ye ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts." It is good and proper to ask, but let us be sure that our motives are always searched out under God's searching eyes. Even good King Hezekiah rendered not again for the benefit (2 Chron. 32:25). Have we not failed in like manner? Certainly we are not to bargain or suggest conditions to God, Gen. 28:20-22, but it is good to pray. "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting," Psa. 139:24. What "way" is in me? There is something deeper than words and outward actions, they are sometimes misleading. Our healing, as all other blessings and good, are in God's hands. Let us then come to Him with honest, open hearts and whatever we seek from Him, let it be that which we would lovingly use for His glory.

The Church

The Church is a supernatural institution. Her doctrines, life and power come from heaven. She can live and go forward only by the power of the Holy Ghost which came down from heaven.

Not now the blood of bulls and of goats, but the blood of Christ is the sacrifice by which we come to God. "He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all," Heb. 10:9, 10.

News From the Mission Field

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15.

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

Annual Convention, Nassau, N. P., Bahamas

Dear Evangel family, greetings. The 19th Annual Convention of the Churches of God in the Bahamas has come and gone, but its memory will long linger in the minds of all those who attended this wonderful feast. It was expressed by some as being the best convention they ever attended.

Our field representative, dear Brother Paul Walker, was with us throughout the entire session, and his messages and teachings were of great value to the work of the Church in these islands. It was a real treat to us to have such an experienced man as Brother Walker with us, and also his dear wife was a great blessing to us all as she would sing and play the piano and her pleasant smiles has endeared her to the hearts of the people with whom she came in contact.

We were blessed with a real good delegation from the outer islands and oftentimes the moderator had to wait a few minutes as the congregation of saints would give vent to their feelings of ecstasy and joy, on account of the presence of the dear Lord in our midst.

Every speaker seemed to be unctionized by the blessed Holy Spirit, and the

blessed fellowship that prevailed was of a remarkable nature.

A few souls were blessed at the night services, and the prayers and cries of the seekers were heard at a late hour of the night.

The music was simply grand, and at times the beautiful solos and duets were so uplifting that the singers were called back to sing a number over.

Day after day the interest increased and at the last night the house was packed, all the aisles were filled, the galleries also, and about the doors and windows were scores of spectators who came to see and hear these wonderful glad tidings. Many others had to turn away on account of no space for them.

Our workers have gone back to their respective fields of labor with a renewed courage and a stronger zeal to work for the Master, and our dear representatives seemed to be fairly well pleased over the prospect of the work in the islands.

Long live the memory of this great convention, and may God's sweet presence attend us throughout this year.

We humbly request the prayers of our great family of readers that this will be a great and blessed year for God's Church on these islands.—Yours in His glad service, William R. Franks, Overseer, of Bahamas.

REVIVALS

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years," Hab. 3:2.

NEALSVILLE, N. C.—We are happy to report a successful revival at the Church of God at Nealsville, N. C. Brother Sifford of Johnson City, Tenn. was in charge. Brother Sifford preached under the power of God. There were five saved, one filled with the Holy Ghost and the entire church was greatly blessed.—H. C. Peek, pastor.

BURNSVILLE, N. C.—We are glad we can report victory at Burnsville. The Lord is wonderfully blessing. We have had two revivals since the Assembly. In the first one six were saved, six sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and three added to the church. In the one just closed three were saved, two sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost and one added to the church. The revival was conducted by the pastor.—Clyde Atkins, pastor, Rt. 1.

CLANTON, Ala.—We have been in a

good revival here at Zion Ridge, with Brother Andrew Mills doing the preaching. He has been doing some fine preaching and the Lord has surely been blessing. Four received the Holy Ghost and a number were saved. We learned to love Brother Mills. He has been helping us raise the money to build a parsonage here. In about three days we raised around \$50.00 just out here at a small country church, but the people here surely have the victory.

We have moved over to Oak Grove church and are in a meeting here now. Brother Mills is a real man of God. Everyone pray for us here at these two churches that we will be in God's will at all times.—The pastor, Virgil R. Smith, Rt. 2.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Brother J. L. Goins, his wife and Brother Bruce Bachman of Iowa opened an evangelistic campaign at the Church of God in Memphis, Tenn. on Jan. 1 and closed it Jan. 19. The house was packed nearly every night. Sunday nights the seating capacity was overflowed. Brother Goins did some deep preaching that was stirring and effective. He won the admiration of the congrega-

tion, also Brother Bachman, the coworker, played the piano and accordion and won favor with the people. His spiritual songs and music drew the crowds even from other Pentecostal movements in the city. The sermons drew the attention of the other movements in a great way. About seventeen were saved and reclaimed to repentance, some sanctified, some baptized with the Holy Ghost, and seven good financiers and workers united with the Church of God. The memory of this revival lingers in our minds and we expect to get Brother Goins back again just before the Assembly. This revival lifted our church and set us on fire and we are working and expecting greater things to move for the glory of God.—B. L. Alford, pastor; B. S. Prescott, reporter.

CLYDE, N. C.—I praise the Lord for the wonderful revival which is now in the past. We started Christmas night with Brother Ernest Anders doing the preaching. The congregation was small the first few nights but after that the house was filled and the altar was filled with hungry souls seeking God. Twenty-two were saved, eleven sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church. The church in general was revived and encouraged. I believe each one has a greater determination to do more for the Lord this year. The revival spirit is still burning in the hearts of the saints because there are still hungry souls who did not pray through during the revival. Please pray that God will continue to bless here. Brother Anders and his faithful workers stand one hundred per cent for the Church of God and are so faithful in the altar work. We welcome them back any time.

We also thank the Lord for our faithful pastor, Brother McKinney. May God bless every one is my prayer.—Mrs. Jessie Snyder, clerk.

A wonderful revival was conducted in the Church of God at Christianburg, Va. by Brother R. S. Lyons, evangelist. Twenty were saved, twelve sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church. God wonderfully blessed. Brother Lyons is a real Holy-Ghost-filled preacher. His address is Pulaski, Va.—D. K. Hinkley, pastor, Christiansburg, Va.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va.—We have just closed a revival at Princeton, W. Va. Thirty-one were saved, fourteen filled with the Holy Ghost and six added to the church. We did not keep an accurate record of those sanctified but there were more than fifteen. The pastor of the Nazarene church received the Holy Ghost, also several members of that church. We were formerly Nazarene and

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BIBLE SCHOOL ECHOES

"Study to show thyself approved unto God." 2 Tim. 2:15.

NAMES AND AMOUNTS PAID BY THE FOLLOWING ON THE BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

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ta Falls, Tex., \$7.00; Ladonia, Tex., \$1.00; Parrott, Va., \$2.10; Clark's Chapel church, \$1.00; Echols, Ky., \$1.00; Slater, S. C., \$3.00; Williamsburg, Ky., \$1.50; Isaban, W. Va., \$1.00; Churches of Mississippi, \$63.00; Gettysburg, S. Dak., \$4.32; McVeigh, Ky., \$52.88; Candler, N. C., \$14.00; Lebanon and Tolstoy, S. Dak., \$3.00; Lacoochee, Fla., \$1.62; Port Huron, Mich., \$2.68; Tifton, Ga., \$3.45; Anniston, Ala., \$3.00; Woodman, Ky., \$1.96; Zora, Ala., \$7.50; Greenville, S. C., \$23.35; Zion, Ala., \$2.10; Easton, Md., \$26.00; Crisfield, Md., \$12.17; St. Luke, Md., \$2.10; Pine Top, W. Va., \$3.55; Wimauma, Fla., \$2.50; Somerset, Ky., \$10.00; Nancy, Ky., \$6.50; Cleveland, Tenn. (auditorium), \$16.41; Petersburg, W. Va., \$1.57; Reform, Ala., \$5.00; Mobetie, Tex., \$3.00; Crab Orchard, Ky., \$7.00; Corona, Calif., \$1.61; Carbon, Ind., \$2.00; Avon Park, Fla., \$1.30; Etowah, Tenn., \$10.10; Detroit, Mich. (West Side), \$15.16; Middlesboro, Ky., \$2.25; Pine Top, W. Va., \$3.55; Cantwell, Mo., \$22.81; Shawmut, Ala., \$1.21; Perry, Fla., \$6.00; Montgomery, Ala., \$5.00; Washington, Pa., \$4.82; Arcadia, Fla., \$10.00; Paxton, Ind., \$1.00; Double Springs, Ala., \$1.50; Adamsville, Ala., \$5.45; Highway, Ala., \$3.00; Bayard, W. Va., \$7.4; Blythe, Calif., \$3.55; Santa Bottom, Ala., \$1.05; Neon, Ky., \$1.00; Eldorado, Md., \$1.00; Paxton, Ind., \$1.00; Sebring, Fla., \$1.40; Mt. Zion (Altoona), Ala., \$3.16; Hiwassee, Tenn., \$1.00; Sylacauga, Ala., \$1.00; Tarpon Springs, Fla., \$10.00; Washington, N. C., \$13.00; Coosa Valley, Ala., \$5.00; Massey Line (Pinson), Ala., \$3.40; Ranger, Tex., \$6.60; Midway and Cherry Lake, Fla., \$6.00; Texla, Tex., \$6.00; Edinburg, Tex., \$1.15; Highway, Ala., \$3.00; Houston, Tex., \$6.00; Jal, N. Mex., \$11.05; Seco, Ky., \$2.50; Red Hill, Miss., \$1.00; Dallas, Tex., \$5.00; Isola, Miss., \$2.60; New Martinsville, W. Va., \$25.00; Stephenville, Tex., \$4.6; Clarks-ville, Pa., \$5.00; Whiteside, Tenn., \$1.50.

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South-Saskatchewan Bible School News

Another Bible School term is rapidly drawing to a close and we feel that it is time to break the silence and let our Evangel readers know that we too are still pressing on with the Lord and diligently studying to show ourselves approved unto God. This is the third year that our school has been and we feel sure it is getting better and better.

We still have as our superintendent, Brother J. W. Bruce, and we thank the Lord for him and his untiring efforts in behalf of our school.

We are also fortunate this year in having as one of our teachers, Brother Glenn Pettyjohn, a graduate of the Northwest Bible School. Other teachers are, Brother and Sister Harold Bjorgan, Brothers Mervyn McLuhan, J. Leslie, R. Daniels, Wm. Morrison and Sister Florence Backman. We have over twenty students, several of whom will graduate this spring. All of our students are anxious to work for the Master and we hope to see many of them step out into the

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT



Homers

R. G. MOWAT

The ability of certain creatures to find their way home from a great distance has formed the theme for many a tale. The best-known example is the bird of the dove family, the homer, whose gifts in this direction are quite exceptional. Noah was well aware of this ability, as we see in Genesis, chapter 8. Unlike the raven, which found a congenial condition in the swirling waters of death, and which flew to and fro until the floods subsided, the dove returned on two occasions to her home in the ark. Only when the waters had finally gone down and the ark was to be vacated did the dove fail to return.

Nor can we forget the incident when the Lord Jesus went down to be baptized of John in Jordan, and the Spirit of God descended like a dove and lighted upon Him. The dove was a link with Home, and the seal of His Father's approval: "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Long before the telephone became such an essential factor in everyday life, pigeons were used by, among others, newspaper reporters to carry "copy" to the publishing office. The birds were taken in baskets to the place, however distant, where the journalist was to write the required news. This was set down on the lightest paper procurable, and fixed to the bird's leg by means of a ring. On being released, the pigeon generally circled round a few times in the air, and then headed off for home, which was a loft at the newspaper office.

Cats have this sense of direction in a marked degree, and dogs are also known to have performed amazing feats of "homing." Just recently a man took his dog with him from the city of Edinburgh to a town in Central Fifeshire. When the man went back home, he left the dog behind him with his friends. Within two or three days the terrier appeared at his old home again, footsore and weary, but obviously delighted to be back. How he had managed to get across the River Forth (over a mile wide at that part), and afterward to negotiate the remaining ten miles to the heart of the city where his old home was situated, are still mysteries which remain unexplained.

All drivers know that there are times when it is quite safe to give their "yoke" his head, and that he will take the most direct road home. A young Canadian farmer was in the habit of visiting a friend at a farm some miles distant, and,

through time, his horse got to know not only the road but the very evening of the week when the journey would be undertaken. One night after the young man had bidden his friend farewell, he gave the horse his head while he lay down in the vehicle to try to sleep. They had covered about two miles in this way when the horse suddenly stopped and looked round. The farmer lay still to see what would happen. Puzzled at the absence of the master from the seat, the animal apparently came to the conclusion that he had been left behind. He wheeled around and cantered back to the farm. Only when his master took his accustomed seat once more did the wise beast set off for home again, without requiring any guidance from his master.

Ants can generally find their own way home, but there are times when they may lose their sense of direction, and wander round and round in a vain endeavor to strike the right trail. On such occasions a couple of ants will look for the lost "worker," and when they find him they hoist him up between them and carry him home. What saith the Word: "Bear ye one another's burdens."

Other curious "homing" incidents might be mentioned, such as the unfailing regularity with which certain migratory birds come back from afar to their old nesting places each year. But perhaps the most remarkable "homers" of all are to be found neither on land nor in the air but in the water. It is surely the most wonderful of all homing events in the lower creation when the salmon, from far out in the limitless wastes of the ocean, finds his way back to his own home-stream where he had once been a fragile, minute egg. Past all sorts of distracting obstacles, through opposing currents, ignoring other more accessible estuaries, the salmon holds on his way true to the irresistible call from his old home.

So we find that home plays a larger part in the lives of all God's creatures than is generally suspected. The gift of homing is undoubtedly Divinely implanted within them by the Creator, and brings them pleasure and freedom of action which they would otherwise lack. But we may well believe that no act of "homing" brings such Divine joy to the heart of God as the coming Home of a sinner from the far country. When the weary wanderer, tired of his sin and his straying, feels the sweet urge of the Holy Spirit, and with new resolution declares, "I will arise and go to my Father," then indeed the Father-heart is

filled with anticipation at the reconciliation, and He goes to meet and to greet His repentant one. There is no "casting up," there is no chiding then; just a great, wholehearted welcome as the Father declares, "My son was dead, and is alive again. He was lost, and is found. * * It is meet that we should make merrily, and be glad."

In the heart of every child of God this loving instinct has been implanted by our Lord Himself. For, did not our Savior give this comforting assurance to His own: "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14: 1-3)?

Here is the goal of the believer, the magnetic north to which the needle of his compass ever points. There may be setbacks, there may be delays by the way, but the ultimate end is never lost sight of—Home! The Father's house! Where Jesus is! Who would not be a "homer" heading for heaven?

*"Home, Home, Home, for the night is past,
And the shadows flee away;
And the mists of earth are melting fast
In the light of endless day."*

*"Home, Home, Home, for the weary feet,
For the broken-hearted—rest;
For the aching head—a pillow sweet
On the Savior's loving breast."*

—In Gospel Herald.

S. S. and Y. P. E. Convention

LANGLEY, S. C.—We are still praising God for the blessing He gave us. Oh bless His name! We surely thank the Lord for the way He blessed the Sunday School and Y. P. E. convention. The Lord came down and blessed us in a special way. We had some good talks and singing and praying, too. Brother R. J. Johnson, our Sunday School superintendent, was there. He gave us several talks on "The Interest of the Sunday School Worker." Pray for the work on the Langley district.—Brother Clarence Barker.

Love has never been so grossly misrepresented as when Deceit used her name to deceive.

★ Boys and Girls ★

Isaac Gets Married

By Irene Wales

Isaac was a grown man when his mother Sarah died, and after she died Abraham and Isaac were very lonely. Abraham was a very old man and Isaac was forty years old, although he was not yet married. Abraham wanted to see Isaac married before he died, but he did not want him to marry any of the women who lived near them. He wanted him to marry a good woman, one who worshipped God and not heathen idols.

One day Abraham called his oldest servant, the one that looked after all he had. He told him that he wanted him to go find Isaac a wife and he made him make a very solemn promise that he would not get a wife for Isaac from the Canaanite people living in the neighborhood, but would go back to the country where Abraham had come from, and get one of his relatives.

The servant started on his long journey through the hot sandy country. He took ten camels for he expected to bring some ladies back with him, and also took some men with him. Abraham's servant was a good man, who believed in God. When he reached the city to which Abraham had sent him, he thought and thought to himself how he would know which young girl God wanted Isaac to have for his wife. He decided to pray about it, so he stopped outside the city and made the camels kneel down by a well of water. It was the time of day for the women to come out and draw water. You see the people didn't have water running into their houses through pipes or a well, or pump right in their yard as we have today, but they all went out to the same well and drew water, and the girls had to draw the water while the men did something else.

Well, Abraham's servant prayed and said, "O Lord God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham. Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water: and let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master." Before he had finished praying, behold he looked and saw a

pretty young girl coming. She was Abraham's brother's daughter. She went down to the well, filled her pitcher with water and came up. The servant ran to meet her, and asked her to let him drink some water from her pitcher. She gave him a drink, then she hurried and watered all his camels.

The servant stood and watched her and wondered if the Lord had answered his prayer. He decided that this was the girl whom God had chosen for Isaac's wife, so he gave her some presents which he had brought along for the young lady chosen. He asked her whose daughter she was and if there was room at her house for them to stay. She told him that she was the daughter of Bethuel and that they had plenty of feed for the camels and room to lodge in. So he bowed down and worshiped God.

The girl, whose name was Rebekah, ran and told her folks about meeting the servant at the well. Her brother, Laban, ran and invited him into the house. The servant went in and Laban fed his camels and gave the servant and other men water to wash their feet. They prepared supper for the servant but he would not eat until he told what he had come for. Then he told them that he was Abraham's servant, whom the Lord had blessed and made great. He told them that Abraham had flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maid-servants, and camels, and asses. Then he told them about Abraham's son, Isaac, and that he had been sent to seek a wife for Isaac. He told them about praying for the Lord to show him the girl he wanted him to choose for Isaac's wife and how Rebekah had been sent to the well in answer to his prayer. So he asked them if they were willing for Rebekah to go and be Isaac's wife. Her brother and father spoke up and said that they would not speak against it for it was the Lord directing him, and that he could take the girl and let her become his master's son's wife. When the servant heard this he bowed down and worshipped the Lord again.

Then the servant brought out some more presents of precious jewels and pretty clothes and gave them to Rebekah, and he also gave her brother and mother some precious things. After this the servant and the men who came with him ate and drank, and they stayed all night. In the morning when they arose, the servant wanted to take Rebekah and start on his way back home but her brother and mother asked them to wait

ten days at least before they took her away. The servant asked them not to hinder him but let him go on his way, so they said they would ask Rebekah if she wanted to go right then or wait a few days. They called her in and asked her about it and she said she was ready to go then. They then consented for her to go at once, and also let her nurse go with her, so Rebekah went away with the servant and his men, to become the wife of Isaac.

Back at home Isaac was patiently waiting and looking for his bride. Rebekah and her nurse were riding upon camels, following the servant and his men. They rode and rode, but she didn't mind it for soon she would be Isaac's bride. In the evening Isaac went out into the field to meditate and he looked way down the road and saw the camels coming. How happy he was. No doubt he was anxious to see his bride and she was anxious to see him. About that time Rebekah looked way up toward the home and saw Isaac out in the field, then she got off the camel and asked the servant who the man was that was coming to meet them. He told her it was Isaac, then she took a veil and covered her face.

In that country young ladies always had their faces covered with veils. It was not considered proper for a lady to appear without her veil.

Only Rebekah's eyes could be seen and now she was ready to meet her future husband. In a few minutes the camels approached Isaac. When he saw the beautiful young girl whom the servant had brought with him, he fell in love with her. He took her into his mother Sarah's tent and soon they were married.

Isaac was happy then, the first time he had really been happy since his mother had died.

After a few years Abraham died too and his sons, Isaac and Ishmael, buried him in the cave where his wife Sarah was buried. He had lived a long, long time, being one hundred and seventy-five years old. He was one of the best men who ever lived in this world, although he lived before the Bible was written and in a country of heathen idol-worshippers. He was called the friend of God. He obeyed God in everything and God loved him and talked to him.

Because Abraham trusted God and obeyed Him so well, God made him the father of the great nation of the Jews, and there are millions of them living today. When you see a Jew you can just remember that he is one of Abraham's children. Jesus was also a Jew, a descendant of Abraham, and through Jesus God blessed all the world, thus fulfilling His promise to Abraham.

Abraham is in heaven now, and if we love God and try to please Him, we shall one day see Abraham in heaven.

BRIEF REPORTS

"A good report maketh the bones fat," Prov. 15:30.

Why Not Keep Victory

MARGRET, Ga.—I'm glad for this beautiful day of rest and many thanks to my blessed Redeemer for another year and for His keeping power of the year passed, 1938. The precious Lord has been so good to me through His loving mercy. I thank and praise God for a heartfelt salvation and I still continue to love the Church of God and its teaching. The fellowship with brotherly love we have. I enjoy reading my Evangel which is spiritual food to my soul, and to see how the world is in an awful condition makes me want to draw nearer and closer to God. There are many calls out for laborers in the fields for our dear Lord. I will say this much to the ministers of the gospel, do your best for 1939 and, of course, we members of the Church must co-operate with our shepherd, with our money, etc. There has to be some works with our faith as we journey along through life, if we expect the joy-bells to ring in our souls, as we have the devil to fight this year. Let's fortify ourselves with the power and grace of God and be soldiers, bearing His cross, coming out victorious as twenty years ago the past fall (soldiers of our country, U. S. A.) we old World War veterans did, and God was with us. Why not keep victory in our souls for Jesus to win out? We can if we only will be determined. Of course, as I am handicapped here in the camp I'm not in services as I would desire, being at home in Hayesville, N. C., Church of God. I ask an interest in your prayers for I face many trials and temptations here in the veterans' camp. I pray God will bless you all.—With love, your brother in Christ, Boyd G. Berrong, GA. F12 2417, Margret, Ga. Home address, Rt. 2, Hayesville, N. C.

FERRIS, Tex.—Greetings in the name of our soon coming King! I praise God for His goodness toward us. Glad He is still blessing.

We have our church building back which was taken from us last July. We just had to have prayer meeting from house to house. God is surely blessing. Thank the good Lord! We are expecting Him to really perform miracles here in Ferris. We prayed for one man who hadn't put his weight on his feet in three weeks. We left him walking. One brother who was poisoned was healed; one sister received healing of stomach trouble. There have been several other instant healings lately through our prayers, for which we thank God.

Now we will have healing service here every Sunday night at 8:30. If you want healing for your body, just send in your request. If you would like for us to send an anointed cloth or handkerchief just send one along and we'll anoint it and God will surely heal you.—Yours in the Master's service, Mrs. G. W. Alford, Box 124.

GREAT FALLS, S. C.—Just a few words of praise to God for the many ways He is blessing the church here at Great Falls. Our Sunday School and all departments of the church are growing. We surely thank the Lord for our good pastor, Brother B. L. Smith, for he is a man of God and his wife is always ready to work in any way for the church. Sister Smith is president of our L. W. W. B. We believe Brother Smith and his wife are in the will of God here for the Lord is blessing their efforts in every way. Pray for the Lord to continue to bless us in paying for a lot so we can build a church as we are in a tabernacle now. Remember us in your prayer always.—Myrtle Self, Box 576.

GURLEY, Ala.—I praise the Lord for His goodness to us here in north Alabama. We had the Lord's Supper and feet washing on Saturday night, Jan. 7. Brother Gossett, our pastor, from West Huntsville, was with us, also Brother Tackett of Decatur and Brother O. D. Springer of Huntsville. We praise the dear Lord for these good brothers and also the saints who came with them and took part in the service. We expect to have the Lord's Supper and feet washing again Saturday night, Feb. 4. We are expecting to have with us our beloved state overseer, Brother H. L. Whittington, our district overseer, Brother Crumpton and Brother Hindman and some of the saints from Mt. Olive, Tenn., also the pastor and others from South Cleveland, Tenn. We need your help. Dear saints, pray that the Lord will undertake for us, that we may be able to build our new tabernacle so we can have a place to worship the Lord.—T. D. Balinger, Box 32.

Report From the Work at Pulaski, Va.

PULASKI, Va.—I praise God for the way He has stood by us since coming to this place.

The church had no building when I came so we pitched our tent and began a battle against the enemy and God began to bless. We soon had to move our tent to another location as the owners

of the first site said they had rented their lot to a fellow to put up a skating rink. We moved to East Main Street, a much better location, where the church finally bought a lot to build a church building. I feel it is the best location in town for a church.

We worshipped in the tent for some time, while planning to build a church. We met opposition again, which is always the case when we start to do something good, but we finally succeeded and have already laid the last block in the building and are putting the roof on it. We expect to soon have it where we can worship in it.

God has given us many souls since coming here and a large number have been added to the church. Although our work has not been without some suffering, the blessings that we have received and the joy that we have felt at seeing others blessed, have far surpassed all that we have had to suffer, and we thank God for His blessings and because He has been with us in all our undertakings for Him.

We plan to begin a revival in the new church as soon as we get it in shape, and we ask all to pray that God will still continue to bless and give us many more souls at this place.—W. T. Morefield, pastor.

We Are Standing For Holiness

ROCHESTER, Pa.—Dear Evangel readers, just a line requesting all who love lost souls and want to see this church prosper to please offer up a prayer. We have a nice little membership here but four of our number are out in the work—Brother Roland Verri-co and his wife, Helen Petruccielli and Walter Skutar—all serving in the evangelistic field, which cuts our number down to about seven and only about five are able to attend regularly.

Please pray that God may open the eyes and understanding of those unsaved who are attending, that the true light of the Church of God may be seen. We are fighting great opposition because we are standing for holiness and the true Word of God. We have a few unsaved and about four or five backsliders coming. The pastor and I earnestly request your prayers. The hardest fight is from some Pentecostal pastors and laity. There are a few Christians whose hearts and souls are tender toward the Church of God but they seem swayed by some talk of the reality of sanctification and the manifestation of the Holy Ghost, also that the Church of God is nothing but money grabbers. Of course, we know it is not true. Some of us pastors often pay most of the rent so as not to ask for more offerings because of this talk about money.

Saints of God, pray that God may intervene and that we may prosper as a

church. Nevertheless the Father, Son, Holy Ghost, entire sanctification, holiness and purity will be preached regardless. Only pray that we may hold high the standard, preaching the pure and Holy Word as God wishes.

We are holding Y. P. E. and Bible Study. Pray, pray, pray! "Pray without ceasing." Our meetings are visited by quite a few Christians and the Father, Son and Holy Ghost are always present.—Humbly, Brother and Sister Frank Petrucci, 481 Harmony Ave.

Strive On

RHODESDALE, Md. — I thank the Lord as we enter in this new year for His past blessings; He has blessed us in many wonderful ways.

I thank Him for our pastor and wife, Brother and Sister Floyd A. Boger. I sincerely believe they are God's servants that He sent here to pastor this little church in Eldorado in order to feed His sheep with spiritual food. I am very sorry to say that the church has been without a pastor for quite a while.

We organized a Y. P. E. in October. Brother and Sister Boger seem to be very much interested in the young folks; we are praying that God will give them many souls for their labor.

I also thank the Lord for keeping me saved and sanctified for nearly six years. The enemy always tried to make me feel as though I could never receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Many times I went through little trials and tests and would feel I couldn't endure another thing, but I could always hear a small voice whispering, "Strive on, there is something ahead."

During a recent revival Brother Boger was holding I was seeking the blessing. We were having cottage prayer meetings in the afternoons. After fasting for about eighteen hours I went to one of these prayer meetings believing that I was going to receive the blessing that afternoon, and I did, and I will never praise the Lord enough for that wonderful blessing.

It takes obedience and sacrifice to lay your all on the altar but God's grace was sufficient, and when I did surrender all, the power of God came down like a mighty wind; the blessing was so wonderful that no matter how many of Satan's angels might come around and try to cause me to doubt my experience they could never influence me for I know when I got it and how it came.

I thank Brother and Sister Boger and the other brothers and sisters in the church for their prayers and interest in me while seeking the Holy Ghost. My earnest prayer is to live so close to the Lord that He may guide me always.—Mrs. Lola Payne Brinsfield.

Blessed With Many Favors From The Lord

The Lord has blessed the church here at Wimauma, Fla. with so many favors that we wish to briefly mention just a few we've enjoyed in the last few weeks.

On Dec. 4 Sister Davis of Bartow, Fla. began a meeting which lasted for two weeks. Not only were her messages a blessing to the church but some were reclaimed, three filled with the Holy Ghost, two baptized in water and received into the church. Bad weather and sickness hindered some but the Lord manifested His presence in a precious way. Her services were appreciated by everyone. Also she and her daughter sang very sweetly together, which was enjoyed by all. New Year's day having been set for home coming, it seems we could not have a more beautiful day. It was just cool enough to be pleasant, and truly a great day in Zion. We had Sunday School as usual and as they marched out the children were each given a package of assorted fruits and nuts. After a brief intermission we gathered again with good singing by the choir, followed by some special songs by Sister H. L. Sorrow. Then a very impressive and inspiring message was delivered by Brother Ernest Simmons, overseer of Tennessee, his subject being "New Things"—such an appropriate subject for this special day.

At noon lunch was spread under the oaks and we had plenty to eat and some over.

At 2:30 we entered into another good song service, after which two special songs were rendered by Brother Luke and sons, a quartet by members of the Manatee church, also a trio from the same church, then a song by the Osteen quartet of Wimauma. Brother Self, our district pastor, spoke, using for his text, 1 Cor. 2:2. I wish we could mention the good things he said. Brother McCall, our district Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent, was the next speaker for the two departments of that work, and he stressed the importance of boosting the Sunday School and Y. P. E. and gave interesting thoughts. Services were dismissed again until 7:00 that evening. We then met again and the service opened with good singing by the choir, followed by another special by Sister Sorrow, after which Brother Sorrow, pastor of the church at Cambridge, Md., delivered a powerful message, using for his subject, "The Faith of the Gospel," text, Phil. 1:27. He seemed to have a special anointing for the service. The presence of each visitor from the different churches, these ministers and their families, in fact, everyone who helped to make this all-day service the success it was, is certainly appreciated by the church here, and we wish to say also that the church appreciates our pastor, Brother Leon Thomas.

and his family, whose lives of godliness are an inspiration to us and they certainly manifest an interest in the work here.

1938 with all its battles, sufferings and joys is in the past, so is this memorable day we've tried to tell about, but there is another home coming day out in the future, how far or near we do not know, but that is the one every child of God should be planning for and give the most serious consideration. Will you be there? May the readers of this enjoy the riches of His grace this new year and remember us when you pray.—Mrs. S. T. Wadsworth, Wimauma, Fla.

The Church of God Moves Forward in California

You may wonder how the above assertion can be true since modernism and formality are so prevalent in this part of the country. Well, it is true that cold-hearted worship rules even in many holiness and Pentecostal churches in our fair land, but there are yet people who refuse to bow their knee to such worship and who insist on having the old time gospel in the old time way. Therefore, God is leading this body of people forward.

Another reason the Church marches forward is that our overseer, Brother I. L. Bengé, with the fire of God burning in his soul, seems to have the burden of each local church, minister and member on his heart and is continually on the go, giving his full time to the work in general.

Too, the Sunday Schools with Brother Fred B. Laley, state superintendent, are on the upward march. Brother Elmer Boyd, state superintendent of Y. P. E., is on the job, having a rally in one of the local churches each month, which is a great blessing to the young people.

The church at Baldwin Park is very fortunate to have secured such a wonderful, Spirit-filled, enthusiastic minister as Brother John E. Douglas for pastor this year, and if such things continue all year as have been of late, certainly it will be the greatest year in the history of the oldest Church of God in the state.

Long Beach, with Brother S. L. Bunch as pastor, is going forward with shouts of victory.

Brother John H. Moore, pastor, and members and friends at Santa Ana Gardens are going forward with their new church building, which will be a great blessing to that church and community.

The church at Huntington Beach has, within the last few months, purchased and paid for two nice city lots, on which the church and parsonage sit, the above having been made possible, largely, through the faithful efforts of the Biedabous and Rohrig families.

Corona, with its nice, new, commodious church building, has the record of having the largest Sunday School in the

state. Much credit, I am sure, is due to the fervent prayers and faithful service of Sister Sallie Jeffries who has charge of the church there.

Brother C. B. Sanderson and the church at Imperial have been enjoying a great refreshing from the throne of grace.

Reports come from Blythe, where Brother J. A. Miller is pastor, that a great revival has been in progress.

Brother W. R. Gruggett and the saints at Tulare have bought a parsonage and four lots and plan to build a church. They have also had a good revival.

Sisters Goldie Banks and Dorothy Diffenderfer opened a new work in Oakland last year. Sister Diffenderfer is in charge there now and reports a good prospect for a good church.

A new work has been opened at Malija (suburb of Fresno) by Sister Marjonia Stockel. She reports forty in Sunday School the first Sunday.

Sister Hazel Dolbee has secured the use of a large church building in Sierra Madra and does not shun to preach the old time holiness.

Another reason that the church marches forward is that such Spirit-filled ministers as the following are laboring to establish a Church of God in every city and village in this state: Brothers A. M. Curtis, Hans L. Hartvickson, Chas. Nugent, A. C. Hamby, C. A. Gillette, Carl Woodall, R. R. Hall and E. C. Henderson. Also, we have some real good women evangelists, such as Sisters Ila O. Jackson, L. P. Gillette, Callie Evert and other zealous workers in the state who are doing their part to see the work go over the top.

Just a word to the ministers and churches: When our overseer, Brother Bengé, pays you a visit, try to take care of his expenses so he will be able to keep going, and then watch the Church march forward in the GOLDEN WEST. —Haskel C. Williams.

Report From Canada

We have just finished reading the article by Brother Walker, telling about Brother Camp and Brother Ramsey being caught in a snowstorm. We are farther north than either one of these brethren but we have no bad weather reports to bring. The weather here has been fine this winter and no nicer winter could be expected.

On Monday, Dec. 16, we returned from Herbert, Sask., where we had gone four days before with five young people from the Bible School. While at Herbert we had a wonderful time in services with the church there. We had six services; God blessed in each service. Many songs were sung by the Bible School quartet and we changed around in

preaching and nearly each one of our group got a chance to preach. Each one of the sermons was delivered with the unction and the power of the Holy Ghost. Many were in tears as God moved upon the hungry hearts. All wished that we could have stayed longer but we had to return the students to the school. Brother J. B. Ressor is the pastor of the Herbert church. He is trying his best to have the church grow.

Our Bible School is held in Robsart, Sask., this term. We are glad to report a fine term of school and that God is blessing the students and teachers, as they are putting forth their efforts to learn more about the Bible and a better way to win souls for the kingdom. There are about twenty-five at the school this winter; this includes Superintendent Bruce and the teachers. Next year we hope to have more, if the Lord tarries.

After the school closes many of the young people from there are going to be out in gospel meetings. It is our prayer that God will help them as they try to get souls saved for eternity. We are short of workers here in Saskatchewan and we are so glad to have more of our young people go out for the Lord into the ministry. Western Canada is a large field and a very needy one for the gospel. May God help us to have a burden for lost souls. The gospel is hid to each one of these until someone comes and brings the message that God has given them, to be in turn given out to others. The Church has some of the best people in all the world up here. They are standing back of the ministry and will do all they can to help the work grow. —Overseer of Western Canada, Max Brandt, Consul, Sask., Canada.

Special Services a Blessing

God is blessing in Washington. He does for us what this world could never do. About two months ago Brother and Sister S. M. Pearson opened the new work at Auburn, Washington. Auburn promises a good future for the Church of God. Brother and Sister Hilton Vale are there now. The district convention stirred hearts in Auburn and neighboring cities. As a result many are looking toward the best thing this side of heaven. Folks who have had the Holy Ghost for twenty-three years said they never saw God work like that. Truly the real Church of God message is needed in these parts.

The convention opened at 7:30, Dec. 30 and closed Sunday, New Year's Day. Brother Pearson gave the welcome remarks and the messages during the convention were brought by the following ministers: Brother Duncan of Wapato, Brother Camp, Brother Paul Schiewek, Brother Hilton Vale, Sister Pearson, and Brother J. C. Kimmel of Sa-

lem, Oregon. Special songs and music were rendered by Brother Olen of Auburn, Brother and Sister Jack Peel, Arlene Brown, Esther Daniels, Brother Backman, Sister J. B. Camp, Sister Pearson, Brother Camp, Brother Vale, Sister Thompson of Algonia, Wash., Brother Camp's two little boys, Brother Austa of Auburn, and the orchestra.

Sister Alma Huey of Independence, Oregon, led a testimony service at the opening service and Lorraine Arvidson of Algonia, Wash., led testimonies at the Y. P. E. service Saturday. The Y. P. E. service was conducted by Brother Backman and songs rendered by the Wapato girls and the Peels. Talks were made by Brothers Jack Peel and Backman. At the evening service an offering for missions was taken. The service continued uninterrupted until the New Year at one o'clock, during which time we had communion and feet washing, with Brothers Pearson and Kimmel administering. The New Year found us doing these things in remembrance of Him. Visiting ministers from Auburn took part, also Brother Gilam of the Calvary Tabernacle co-operated. Real fellowship prevailed. Oh, how God blessed! Sunday we had a co-study of the Word, with a talk by Brother Will Camp and remarks and dismissal by Brother Clarke Goodman of Chehalis, Wash. Brother Pearson brought the New Year's message. The convention was climaxed by a message by our new pastor, Brother Vale. A good altar service followed, then farewells and partings.—Sister Rose Peel, Sister S. M. Pearson, clerks, 4704 S. E. 65th Ave., Portland, Oregon.

Praise the Lord For Victory

COLUMBIA, Ky.—I truly praise the Lord for victory over the enemy, for joy and peace I have in my soul, something the devil can't destroy. Oh, the great joy and peace I find in serving the Lord. When the devil tempts and tries me I'm glad I can find rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him. Bless His name.

Oh, I love to work for Jesus and win lost souls for Him. I praise Him for the promises He made to those who obey. I'm working for a crown. I want to be somewhere working for my Lord when He comes or calls for me.

I praise the Lord for the Church of God at Park Ridge. She is rising and shining there, has been for two years and seven months and we are gaining ground on the devil all the time.

Pray much for the church and for me to be obedient to my Master at all times in everything. I want to keep the crown in view and be ready any time that Jesus should come or call.—Bettie Tapscott.

Christ can rule over us only when true love rules in us.

Christianity Spread By Persecution

BY LEWIS ARROWOOD

Acts 7:59, "And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

"Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word," Acts 8:4. "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear. Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful creator," 1 Pet. 4:12-19.

We notice the scripture Acts 6:5, 8, 10, "And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost. And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles

among the people. And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake." The harder they would try to stop Stephen by persecuting him the more Christianity would spread. We hear him say, "Ye stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye." When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. After all that was done to Stephen he looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and he kneeled down and cried with a loud voice, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

We notice not long after Stephen was put to death, Saul, having authority to persecute all that called upon the name of the Lord, the Lord spoke to him saying, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me," and he was stricken blind. Ananias prayed for him and he received his sight. Then his persecution began. While Paul was with those persecutors they would have plucked out their eyes and given them to him, but after Paul began to tell them the truth they became his enemies. He said he was not meet to be called an apostle because he persecuted the Church of God. Paul was faithful unto death. He suffered in shipwrecks and in cold and hunger. It pays to stand when persecution comes, not give up, and we will receive a crown that fadeth not away.

stomach.—Florence E. Hatfield, Matewan, W. Va.

My sister's body to be healed; also brother-in-law to be healed; his soul to be saved; my mother and me to be healed and receive Holy Ghost.—C. L. McDaniel, Ehren, Fla.

My health to be restored; to be an overcomer.—H. N. Thompson, Sebastian, Fla. My body to be healed.—Bertha Smith, 203 Park St., Lindale, Ga.

Me to be healed of asthma and nervous indigestion; my eyes; to be able to find a job; my wife's nerves to be healed.—Lawrence Berry, Valdece, N. C.

My complete healing; suffering in hips and back to be healed.—J. A. Brannum, 210 Ford Ave., Harrisburg, Ill.

The Lord to heal my afflicted body.—Gertrude Ledbetter, 2 N. Water St., Harrisburg, Ill.

My sons to be healed of yellow jaundice and one of bad blood; for friend and his wife to be saved, him to quit whisky. Anointed cloths appreciated. Send to Edward McCoy, 214 Pike St., Williamson,

W. Va.—Their mother, Jane McCoy, 605 Vinson St., Williamson, W. Va.

My body to be healed of rheumatism and pyorrhea of the gums; the Lord to help us get a church here.—Sister F. Joplin, Forrest City, Ark.

Two very urgent unspoken requests; for our church here at Pine Grove.—Mrs. Lula Hurst, Rt. 4, Box 169, Live Oak, Fla.

Revival at Vanceburg, Ky.; special unspoken request.—Miss Martha Preece, Louisa, Ky.

Mouth to be healed of irritations caused from tonsillitis.—Mrs. Ida Williams, Rt. A, Box 393, Griffin, Ga.

Brother Watts to be healed of an affliction of the stomach.—John L. Glasscock, Gen. Del., Pine Bluff, Ark.

My daddy's body to be healed; me to be healed of severe cold; to stand true to God; unspoken request.—Irene Ingram, Rt. 3, Winfield, Ala.

My husband and children to be saved; that I may have an anointing for service as the Lord has called me to preach the gospel; revival at Spray, N. C.—Nannie Gibson, Box 416, Spray, N. C.

My body to be completely healed; my little girl's eyes to be healed; bad cut on my little boy's head to be healed; two unspoken requests; me to get closer to the Lord and that we can go to church oftener; my husband to get salvation.—Frances Lett, Rt. 1, Box 118, Shaw, Miss.

The healing of my body of nerve trouble and rheumatism.—Mrs. A. C. Bottoms, Rt. 2, Box 356, Rayville, La.

God to undertake for me and heal my afflicted body, I am growing weaker and worse; to be in God's will.—Mrs. Lee Robertson, Rt. 1, Box 45, Great Falls, S. C.

Me to be healed of T.B.; mother to be healed of rheumatism; me to do the Lord's will; unspoken request.—Pearle Mae Mitchell, Waverly Hills, Ky.

REQUESTS

"With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God," Phil. 4:6.

PRAY FOR:

The healing of our baby.—Lewis Richardson, Sale Creek, Tenn.

The healing of my body.—Bettie Cogdill, Rt. 4, Cleveland, Tenn.

Me to be healed of heart trouble; my brother who strained himself, my husband who is sick; little church at Pell City; our leader and her husband; us to do the Lord's will.—Lillie May Bynum, Rt. 1, Eden, Ala.

Am called into the Lord's service and am so weak and needy; pray for me to do what God wants me to. Encouraging letters appreciated.—Mrs. Chessie Williams, Rt., Cropwell, Ala.

Healing of Sister Carrington's body, she seems to have T.B.—J. B. Winter, evangelist, Barbados, B.W.I.

My daughter to be healed of nervous breakdown; me to be healed of acid

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REVIVALS

(Continued from page 6)

it certainly does my soul good to see more of them walking in the light. We request your prayers that we may stay in the Lord's will at all times and be found about our Father's business.—W. W. and Lucille Webb, evangelists, 327 Bluefield Ave.

SUMTER, S. C.—The power of God is falling in South Carolina. We had an old time revival in Walhalla, S. C. Twenty-six were saved, twenty-five sanctified and eighteen filled with the Holy Ghost.

The weather was bad while we were at Ninety Six but God blessed us with about nine souls. I don't remember how many were converted. God blessed in the new place at Sumter, S. C. with about ten converts. One brother who got the Holy Ghost was so proud of it, and one Salvation Army preacher received the Holy Ghost. You should hear him testify and preach about the good blessing he has now.

I helped them lay a few brick on the Columbia church during Christmas. I enjoyed Brother Beaubé's talk on the chart. I talked a few nights for them also. The Holy Ghost would come down and save people and give out messages. Pray for us here at Spartanburg. About fifteen were in the altar Sunday, four were saved, one sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost.—M. N. McPherson.

CHARLESTON, W. Va.—We have finished a two weeks' revival here in Charleston, W. Va. Brother Geo. W. Grubbs of Pittsburgh, Pa. was our evangelist. Six were saved, two sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. The church was in a very bad condition but praise God for sending us a man like Brother Grubbs. He surely lifted the church out and now we are moving toward the top. Praise God. Brother Grubbs preaches good, old time, Holy Ghost messages. He surely was a God-sent man, as we fasted and prayed for someone to come and help. We are proud to say, that now Brother Grubbs is our pastor and we have six new members added to the church.

Keep praying for the saints and the Church of God here and that it will continue to grow.—Brother Wm. Withrow, clerk.

Wonderful Revival in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Tenn.—The Lord has been wonderfully blessing us here in Cleveland, for which we praise Him. Surely everyone who has attended this three weeks' revival has been blessed and encouraged. There has been a great outpouring of the Spirit of God from the beginning. Brother A. J. Swift, of Johnson City, Tenn. was the evangelist;

Brother D. B. Yow, pastor.

The Lord blessed in the song service, testimony service, preaching and altar service. The altar was full every night with seekers, many of them getting a definite blessing. There seems to be more love among the saints; seekers have prayed through to victory who have been seeking for a long time. There were twenty-three saved, nine sanctified and thirteen filled with the Holy Ghost. Praise the Lord!

We appreciate the many visitors from South Cleveland, Chattanooga and other places. We also appreciate the efforts of everyone who has had a part in making the services a blessing. Help us pray that the many seekers will receive the Holy Ghost and that the Lord will bless the church here more abundantly than it has ever been blessed.—Ruby Wales.

Happy in Jesus

STATE ROAD, N. C.—I praise the Lord for salvation that I know about. I am thirteen years old, saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. The Lord saved me when I was eleven years old. A little later He sanctified me and filled me with the Holy Ghost and I am happy in Jesus. I praise the Lord because I belong to the Church of God.

Listen girls and boys, you don't know what you are missing until you give your heart to the Lord and live for Him. It is wonderful to serve the Lord. When you go to lay down at night it is good to know that if Jesus were to come you would be ready to go.

I praise God for His great healing power. On Nov. 25 I went to bed well but in just a few minutes I took very sick, having chills and a high temperature. My daddy had to go to work at ten o'clock that night and when he went to work my mother began to pray for the Lord to heal me and in just a few minutes God came on the scene and healed me. I was lying in the bed laughing and praising the Lord and I heard my daddy come to the window and say, "Mother, how is Mary Lee?" and she told him that I was well, that she had been praying for me and the Lord had healed me. He said that he got to the mill and was so uneasy about me that he couldn't work and came home to see me. When he got there I was healed. We all slept well the rest of the night. That is what God can do for us if we can have faith in Him.

I praise the Lord for the way He blesses me each day. I want to stand true to Him. Every child of God pray for me to stand true to the Lord and be just what He would have me be.—Mary Lee Layell, Rt. 2.

CENTRAL, S. C.—Dear readers, I thank the Lord for being saved, sanctified,

baptized with the Holy Ghost and a member of the Church of God. Thank the Lord for sending us a good pastor here at Central. Brother Mack Land has been a great help to me since he has been here and Sister Ruth, his wife.

Dear brother and sister, if we help sinners come to the Lord we will have to show them that we are living right and showing our love to them and the church, too, by paying our tithes, standing by our pastor, putting our shoulders to the wheel, praying and fasting for more power in the Church. If you want to do something for the Lord that is worth something, be humble, humble yourself in the sight of God. Look about you and begin to help others regardless of what it may cost you.

Pray for me to obey God. I want my light to shine that others may get glory out of it. Praise the Lord tonight for the settled peace I have in my heart. Pray for our church at Central, we need your prayers to hold us up.—Ethel Tyner.

B. T. S. Echoes

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harvest field when school closes. Much could be said of our school but the best thing is that the Lord is with us. He hath done great things for us whereof we are glad but we are looking to Him to do even greater. Workers are needed in this great territory—efficient, Holy-Ghost-filled workers with a real knowledge of the Word of God. Truly the fields are white unto harvest but, oh, the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into the harvest. I wonder if you can see our whitened harvest fields tonight—countless thousands of souls scattered over our prairies, many of them dying tonight, lost and without hope. May God help us one and all to be faithful to His call.

Dear brothers, sisters, and friends of this great cause which we all love so well, when you pray will you remember to breathe a prayer to the Father of us all that He might uphold and strengthen those of us who are here striving to advance His cause, that our school may grow and glow for God and that each student may go forth under the unction and anointing of the blessed Holy Spirit, to preach this glorious gospel until He comes? May the Lord bless you.—School reporter, Florence Backman, Robsart, Saskatchewan, Canada.

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Christianity. I plead with you to be wholly for Christ, then you can be assured that He will be with you alway.

To know all truth one would have to have the mind of God and thus be omniscient.

NOTICES

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S. J. Wood, overseer, New Mexico, Colorado, and Utah.

There will be a meeting of the Christian Radio Association in Calera, Ala. on Feb. 10 at 6:30 p. m. at the Nazarene church. We urge every member to be present and hope that every Christian who is interested in helping to get a Christian radio broadcasting station built for God's glory will meet with us on that night. We have about fifty-five members but want a million, if that many Christians want to join us and help in this great work. Christians, this is your work and we invite you to meet with us Feb. 10.—Mrs. Mayme C. Bailey, president, Christian Radio Association, Calera, Ala.

FALSE REPORT

It has been rumored in some places that I have left the Church of God and gone with another body of people. I wish to say that this is absolutely untrue.—Z. R. Thomas, Gen. Del., Mobile, Ala.

We are now back in the fields at work. This is our first meeting since the wreck. We are glad to report that we are in one of the best meetings that the church in Cambridge, Md. has had in a long time. People tell us we are having the largest crowds that have been here. The Lord gave us a break last night and eight were saved, two sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. Some have been saved before this. The meeting has been going about a week. Please pray for this meeting. If you want to write us, address us at Box 110, Hartwell, Ga.—Orion L. Alewine.

I am very anxious to be in the work of the Lord. I am twenty-two years old, play the piano and guitar and sing solos. I am not afraid of difficult places. If you are interested and need help in evangelistic work, please write to me immediately.—Ruth Curl, 742 Riverside Drive, Villa Park, Ill.

We started a revival Feb. 5 with our district overseer, Brother I. H. Marks, doing the preaching. We ask all near-by churches to come and help us. If you want your soul flooded with joy, come to Empire, Ala. Pray for our revival.—M. H. Childers, pastor, Blountsville, Ala.

To whom it may concern: We, the Church of God at Empire, Ala., have changed clerks. The former clerk was Mrs. Tom Barnett, Empire, Ala. The new clerk is Brother Bob Roberts, Empire, Ala.—M. H. Childers, pastor, Blountsville, Ala.

We have started an old time revival

at Newville, Pa. with Brother Walter Skutar as evangelist. Please pray that God will send a mighty revival and stir this town. Pray that God will send in help. God is blessing, but we know He can bless greater.—Brother and Sister P. R. Walker, Broad St., Newville, Pa.

SPECIAL ATTENTION

Reporting

"We recommend that when a minister (bishop or evangelist) fails to report to Headquarters and the state overseer for three months, that he be admonished by the state overseer, and if he fails to report for six months that his license be revoked."—33d A., p. 49.

"That the ministry of those failing to renew their license within ninety days after date of expiration, be revoked."—33d A., p. 49.

These are rulings of the last General Assembly in which the Assembly is requiring the ministers to report regularly to the General Secretary and the State Overseer. When one fails to comply with this his license will be revoked. We are preparing a list now for the state overseers, giving the names and last address given of ministers who have not been reporting and giving the date of the last report received at Headquarters. We are asking the State Overseers to please check carefully on this matter and help our ministers to become regular in their reporting, thus helping to keep our records complete.

Some offer the excuse that because they are not doing anything they did not feel it necessary to report, but it is very important that you report, for it will perhaps be a blazing reminder to you that you haven't done anything that month and we hope it will stimulate you so you will do some ministerial work next month, thus we all can keep busy working. There is so much to do in these last and closing days. Surely God will bless every effort put forth in the name of Jesus for the salvation of the lost.

Those of you ministers who have no report book, please write us immediately so we may furnish you with same.

We are delighted to announce from our ministers' reports that for last month (December), there was by far the greatest number of reports received on record, also the greatest number of sermons preached.

We are earnestly praying that God will give us the greatest year this year in all the history of the Church. We are depending on you to help us.

Yours in His service,
J. H. WALKER, Gen. Overseer.

There will be an all-day service at the Church of God in Greensboro, N. C. the second Sunday in February (12th). Services will begin at 9:45 and continue until late afternoon. Our state overseer will

be with us throughout the day. We are asking each member to raise \$2.00. You members who have moved away, be sure to send yours in by the day set apart for this drive. We are expecting the churches near Greensboro to co-operate with us by being here on this great day of good things. Preachers, singers, musicians, come to take part in the program. We are expecting you, and you, and you. Come one, come all, to Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 12.—A. M. Phillips, pastor.

On Feb. 13 Brother E. M. Mortenson will begin a revival at Greensboro. We're looking for a great meeting. Each one pray for the success of this revival. Everyone near come and help win souls for the Master.—A. M. Phillips, pastor, 1803 Roseland St., Greensboro, N. C.

A great revival has just closed at Cantwell, Mo. We will begin a revival at St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 1 at the North church. Those wishing to write, may address your mail to me in care of M. G. Swart, 411 E. Highland St., St. Joseph, Mo.—C. E. Richard.

To whom this may concern: This will inform you that J. O. Eure is no longer a minister or member of the Church of God.—J. L. Dorman, overseer of Virginia.

RADIO BROADCASTS

We will be glad to publish your broadcasts if you will send them in to us.

WRGA, Rome, Ga. The Church of God, A. H. Batta, pastor, each Monday from 10:30 to 11:00 a. m.

WCSC, Charleston, S. C. 1360 KC, each Sunday from 8:30-9:00 a. m. Church of God, Porter M. White, pastor.

WSPA, Spartanburg, S. C. Each Sunday at 3:00-3:45 p. m. Odiss Smith in charge.

WAPO, Chattanooga, Tenn., Soddy, Daisy and North Chattanooga Churches of God, each Saturday morning from 6:00-6:30.

WBIG, Greensboro, N. C. 1440 KC, each Sunday evening 5:45. A. M. Phillips, pastor.

WATL, 1370 KC, Atlanta, Ga. Church of God, 4:00-4:30 p. m., each Sunday. W. T. Nelson, pastor.

WOPI, Bristol, Tenn., 1500 KC. Each Sunday from 7:15 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. E.S.T. R. C. Cook, pastor.

WBTM, Danville, Va. Each Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. A. O. Stewart, district overseer.

KGDE, Fergus Falls, Minn. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:15 to 1:45 p. m. Each Sunday 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. H. E. Ramsey in charge.

WFBC, Greenville, S. C., 1300 KC. Each Sunday from 7:00-8:00 a.m., E.S.T. Earl Paulk, pastor.

WMFD, Wilmington, N. C. Each Sunday from 3:00 to 3:45 p.m. H. T. Durden, pastor.

KADA, Ada, Okla., Feb. 16, 10:00 a. m. E. T. Curtsinger, pastor.

WSOC, Charlotte, N. C. Each Saturday, 8:30-9:00 a. m. Charlotte and Belmont, N. C. Churches of God, W. M. Stallings and A. V. Childers, pastors.

WSTP, Salisbury, N. C. 1500 KC, Kannapolis, N. C. Church of God, each Sunday morning from 9:00 to 10:00. U. D. Tidwell, pastor.

WDOD, 1280 KC, Chattanooga, Tenn. Each Saturday 1:15-1:45 p.m. South Cleveland Church of God, J. S. Barnard, pastor.

WATL, 1370 KC, Atlanta, Ga. Church of God. Each Sunday 3:00-3:30 p. m. W. T. Nelson, pastor.

We Feel Good in Our Souls

STURGIS, Miss.—Dear readers, we are still saved and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire and belong to the dear Church of God. We are still pressing on trying to make heaven our home. We want to go the last mile of the way with Jesus.

We are not feeling so well in our bodies but we do feel good in our souls. Hallelujah! Our hearts reach out for the lost humanity of this world. It is so deep in sin. We spend lots of our time in prayer for the lost.

Our church at Mars Hill is coming to the front. We have a new church building almost completed. We lack a little ceiling and painting the church. One of our dear sisters bought the paint, for which we praise the Lord. We don't want to forget to thank the Lord for our pastor, Brother C. H. Gardner, and his wife. This is the third year he has pastored our church and we find them real Church of God saints. We like them fine. We are praising the Lord for his being sent back this year. We also thank the Lord for Brother B. H. Jernigan as an assistant pastor. We have learned to love him dearly and believe he is a real Holy Ghost man. When we walk in the building we can feel the presence of the Lord. Praise the Lord. We like to meet with the saints and see the glory of God shining on their faces. We dearly love them all. Hallelujah!

We live about five miles from the church and don't get to go like we would like to. We are both in bad health. My husband is seventy-one years of age and I am sixty-seven, but we are rejoicing in the Lord and praising Him for free salvation that holds good through afflictions as well as through health. Praise the Lord.

We certainly enjoy reading the dear Evangel; it contains so many good testimonies and pieces from different ones. We are always glad for it to come into our home. It helps us to pass away many a lonely day; it is such food to our souls. We want to live a life in our old days that will point souls to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world, and be ready to meet the Lord in the air. Hallelujah!

We have so much to praise the Lord for. Our sins are still under the blood of the Lamb. We are looking forward to His coming to catch away His waiting Bride. Hallelujah! also the time when holiness will be on the bells of the

horses and on the pots. Oh glory! I'm glad I'm a daughter of the King.

Saints everywhere, let us watch and pray that we may be ready to meet Him.

Sister Summers, if you read this testimony, please let me hear from you, it has been so long since I heard from you. Saints, I want everyone who reads this to pray for us, pray for the healing of our bodies and pray for us to press on and do His will at all times. — Your brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Watkins, Rt. 3.

I Have Peace in My Soul

Dear readers, I one time had a dream or vision. I continued to live in sin but it bore on my mind to do better. Three years later I joined the First Baptist church and was baptized, tried to live right but was in sin and sinning every day. But thank God it is past those six years.

Now this 22nd day of November I went to the Church of God on Palmetto St., Orangeburg, S. C., where Brother S. C. Chambers is pastor, and I went down on my knees, lifted my hands and asked God to forgive me of my sin, and right here I can say He did forgive me and saved me from sin and sinning, sanctified me and wonderfully filled me with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues according to Acts 2:4. Now I have peace, such peace, in my soul and God took all shame and fear of this world out of me and planted a deep-settled peace in my soul.

Please pray for me that I'll live humble before the Lord so He can use me and I may be able to meet Him and all who love Him in that place of peace forever. I am now in the Church of God, happy in Jesus.—Marvin C. Craven, 132 Green St., Orangeburg, S. C.

Victory in My Soul

RHODHISS, N. C.—I am glad to report victory in my soul. I thank the Lord for full and free salvation. I praise the Lord for His mighty healing power and desire the prayers of all the good Christians that I may hold out. I haven't been in this good way long but I have no desire to turn back. Please pray for me.—Hugh Clevenger.

By His Stripes We Are Healed

SIMPSONVILLE, S. C.—I praise God for what He is to me just now. I praise Him because I am saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost. I

praise the Lord for healing my body about two months ago. I was sick and the doctor said he had done all he could do and I would have to be operated on. Praise the Lord, I find in His Word, "By my stripes ye are healed." I thank the Lord for healing my body and I ask all who read this to pray earnestly for me and my family. Also pray for the Church of God at Fountain Inn, S. C. —Ethel Cantrell.

State Convention and Camp Meeting Dates

We have been working at the State Camp Meeting and State Convention dates for sometime and had hoped to wait until we could work out all the irregularities before the announcement appeared in the paper, but we are submitting the following which seems about the best we can arrange for the present. Of all the requests practically all of them received first choice of their requested date. If there must be any changes the correction will appear later. —J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

Arizona State District Meeting—March 10-12.
California-Nevada—March 24-26
Washington-Oregon—April 7-9
Montana—April 13-16
Illinois—April 20-23
South Carolina—April 27-30
Indiana—May 4-7
Maryland-D. C.-Delaware- E. Virginia—May 11-14
Iowa—May 26-28
Annual Gen. Assembly (colored), Jacksonville, Fla.—May 22-28
Florida Camp Meeting—June 1-10
Florida State Convention—June 2-3
Pennsylvania—June 9-11
Ohio—June 15-18
North Carolina—June 15-18
Michigan Camp Meeting—June 18-25
Michigan State Convention—June 23-25
Virginia—June 23-25
Great Northwest Camp Meeting—June 26-July 4
Kansas—June 29-July 2
Northwest Convention—July 1-4
New Mexico-Colorado-Utah—July 7-9
Missouri—July 7-9
Oklahoma—July 14-16
Mississippi—July 14-16
Arkansas—July 21-23
West Virginia—July 21-23
Kentucky—July 28-30
Texas Camp Meeting—July 31-Aug. 6
Texas State Convention—August 4-6
Alabama Camp Meeting—July 31-Aug. 6
Alabama State Convention—Aug. 4-6
Maryland (Eastern Shore) Camp Meeting, August 4-14
Georgia—August 10-13
Iowa Camp Meeting—August 15-25
Tennessee—July 27-30
Louisiana—August 24-27
Maine—September 14-17 or Aug. 17-20